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Mr. Charles L. A. Terreni  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
Synergy Business Park, The Saluda Building  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

2006-232-C

Re: Interconnection Agreement Between Hargray Telephone Company, Inc.  
and Embarq Communications, Inc. (MCImetro Access Transmission  
Services, LLC)

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission please find three (3) copies of the Interconnection Agreement between Hargray Telephone Company, Inc. and Embarq Communications, Inc. (adopting the Interconnection Agreement between Hargray Telephone Company, Inc. and MCImetro Transmission Services, LLC). This agreement is being submitted for the Commission's approval pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

Please clock in a copy and return it with our courier.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,



Margaret M. Fox

MMF/rwm  
Enclosures

cc: Robert J. LaBonté

**INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT  
FOR THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

**BETWEEN**

**Embarq Communications, Inc.**

**and**

**Hargray Telephone Company, Inc.**

This Interconnection Agreement ("Agreement"), entered into this 1st day of June 2006, is entered into by between Embarq Communications, Inc., a South Carolina CLEC, ("Embarq"), with offices at 5454 W 110<sup>th</sup> St., Overland Park, KS 66211, and Hargray Telephone Company, Inc., a South Carolina ILEC ("Hargray"), with offices at 856 William Hilton Parkway, Hilton Head Island, SC 29938 herein collectively, "the Parties," to establish the rates, terms and conditions for local interconnection, local resale and purchase of unbundled network elements for the State of South Carolina.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Parties agree as follows:

**1. CONDITIONS**

- 1.1 The Parties agree that the Agreement between the Parties shall consist of the Interconnection Agreement for the State of South Carolina entered into by and between Hargray and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC, dated February 16, 2006 ("Adopted Agreement"), amended as noted herein.
- 1.2 Embarq represents and warrants that it is a certified provider of local telecommunications service in the Hargray service territory, and that it provides local telecommunications service to end users.

**2. TERM**

- 2.1 This Agreement shall be in force and become effective June 1, 2006, or the date of Commission approval, if required.

**3. PARTIES**

- 3.1 Embarq Communications, Inc. is hereby substituted in the Adopted Agreement for MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC. Hargray shall remain as the other Party to the Agreement.

#### 4. GENERAL

- 4.1 Other than as set forth herein, the Adopted Agreement remains unchanged and in full force and effect. In the event of a conflict between the terms of the Adopted Agreement and this Agreement, this Agreement will control.
- 4.2 This Agreement, executed by authorized representatives of Embarq and Hargray, is made a part of and incorporates the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Adopted Agreement.

#### 5. NOTICES:

- 5.1 Except as otherwise provided, all notices and communication hereunder shall be deemed to have been duly given when made in writing and delivered in person or deposited in the U.S. mail, certified, postage paid, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

##### To Hargray:

Bill Oglesby, CFO  
P.O. Box 5986  
Hilton Head, SC 29938

##### With a copy to:

McNair Law Firm, P.A.  
Post Office Box 11390  
Columbia, SC 29211  
Attn: Margaret M. Fox

##### To Embarq:

Director, Interconnection Management  
Embarq  
9300 Metcalf  
Mailstop: KSOPKB0402-4670  
Overland Park, KS 66212

##### With a copy to:

Senior Attorney  
Embarq  
14111 Capital Blvd.  
Wake Forest, NC 27587-5900

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Embarq and Hargray have caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly respective authorized representatives.

##### "Embarq"

By:



Name:

William E. Cheek

Title:

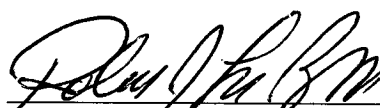
President, Wholesale Markets

Date:

5/25/06

##### "Hargray"

By:



Name:

Robert J. LaBonte

Title:

VP & CEO

Date:

5/30/2006